#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For:

METHOD FOR CUTTING HONEYCOMB CORE

#### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

#### Please enter the following amended claim:

3. The method for cutting a honeycomb core according to claim 1, wherein said resin composition comprises a water-absorbing resin and water.

### Please add the following new claim:

4. The method for cutting a honeycomb core according to claim 2, wherein said resin composition comprises a water-absorbing resin and water.

### **REMARKS**

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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## **APPENDIX**

# VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

# IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

3. The method for cutting a honeycomb core according to claim 1-or 2, wherein said resin composition comprises a water-absorbing resin and water.

Claim 4 is added as a new claim.